

The Lord's Service

The Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

NOVEMBER 03, 2019



Westminster Presbyterian Church

POST TENEBRAS LUX

PRELUDE

Please use the prelude as a time of silent preparation for the worship of the Triune God.

GREETING

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

⌘ WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM

Q18. Wherein consists the sinfulness of that estate whereinto man fell?

The sinfulness of that estate whereinto man fell consists in the guilt of Adam's first sin, the want of original righteousness, and the corruption of his whole nature, which is commonly called original sin; together with all actual transgressions which proceed from it.

⌘ CALL TO WORSHIP

HEBREWS 5:5-7

When Christ came into the world, he said:

“Sacrifice and offering you did not desire, but a body you prepared for me;

with burnt offerings and sin offerings you were not pleased.

Then I said, ‘Here I am—it is written about me in the scroll—

I have come to do your will, my God.’”

⌘ PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, your Son came into the world to free us all from sin and death. Breathe upon us with the power of your Spirit, that we may be raised to new life in Christ, and serve you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

⌘ HYMN OF PRAISE

Lift High the Cross

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CONFESSION OF SINS

Eternal God, whose covenant with us is never broken, we confess that we fail to fulfill your will. Though you have bound yourself to us, we will not bind ourselves to you. In Jesus Christ you serve us freely, but we refuse your love and withhold ourselves from others. We do not love you fully or love one another as you command. In your mercy, forgive and cleanse us. Lead us once again to your table and unite us to Christ, who is the bread of life and the vine from which we grow in grace. Amen.

THE KYRIE ELEISON

*Lord, have mercy upon us
Christ, have mercy upon us
Lord, have mercy upon us*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

⌘ RESPONSIVE READING OF THE LAW

God spoke all these words, saying; I am the Lord your God, you shall have no other gods before me. **Against thee, thee only, I have sinned, and done that which is evil in thy sight.**

You shall not make for yourself graven images...you shall not bow down to them or serve them. **O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker! For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.**

You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain. **O Lord, open thou my lips, and my mouth shall show forth thy praise.**

Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. **How lovely is thy dwelling place, O Lord of Hosts! For a day in thy courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.**

Honor your father and your mother. **Remember not the sins of my youth, or my transgressions; according to thy steadfast love remember me, for thy goodness' sake, O Lord!**

⌘ THE PEACE

⌘ GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

You shall not kill.

Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts! And see if there be any wicked way in me.

You shall not commit adultery.

Thou hast set our iniquities before thee, our secret sins in the light of thy countenance.

You shall not steal.

Have mercy on me, O God, blot out my transgressions.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. **Put false ways far from me; and graciously teach me thy law!**

You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant, or his maidservant, or his ox, or his ass, or anything that is your neighbor's.

Incline my heart to thy testimonies, and not to gain! Deliver me from all my transgressions.

The Lord is near to all that call upon him, to all that call upon him in truth. He fulfills the desire of all who fear him, he also hears their cry, and saves them.

My mouth will speak the praise of the Lord, and let all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever.

INTERLUDE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Gracious God, we do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from your mouth. Make us hungry for this heavenly food, that it may nourish us today in the ways of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, the bread of heaven. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

1 SAMUEL 15:1-35

NEW TESTAMENT READING

HEBREWS 10:5-10

☒ HYMN OF PREPARATION *Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted* 257

☒ GOSPEL READING MARK 4:2-9, 13-20

☒ RESPONSE
The Word of the Lord
Praise be to God.

SERMON *Listen!*

☒ THE NICENE CREED 846

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY

☒ DOXOLOGY 731
*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below;
praise him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

☒ SURSUM CORDA
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

⌘ PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

⌘ THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

COMMUNION

Only outside ring of Communion tray contains grape juice.

COMMUNION HYMN

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

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At the lamb's high feast we sing
praise to our victorious King,
who hath washed us in the tide
flowing from his pierced side;
praise we him whose love divine
gives his sacred blood for wine,
gives his body for the feast,
Christ the victim, Christ the priest.

Where the paschal blood is poured,
death's dark angel sheathes his sword;
Israel's hosts triumphant go
through the wave that drowns the foe.

Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed,
paschal victim, paschal bread;
with sincerity and love
eat we manna from above.

Mighty victim from the sky,
pow'rs of hell beneath thee lie;
death is conquered in the fight,
thou hast bought us life and light:
hymns of glory and of praise,
risen Lord, to thee we raise;
holy Father praise to thee,
with the Spirit, ever be.

⌘ HYMN OF DEPARTURE

Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast

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⌘ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

PREACHER: Rev. Kevin Chiarot
WORSHIP LEADER: Steve Flewelling
ORGANIST: Neil Fick

Announcements

Greeters

This Week: Carl Wolfe

Next Week: Maria Beach

Nursery Workers

This Week: C. Humes / E. Felts

Next Week: L. Spagnola / Kelley Bonagura

Service Assistants

This Week: E. Weber, T. Elmendorf,

E. Timberger, J. Grammer

Next Week: E. Weber, S. David,

E. Timberger, M. Kniffen

Deacon of the Month

J. Grammer

Weekly Sunday Morning Prayer: 9:20AM in the library. Join us to pray for the worship and work of WPC.

Proclaim – On the First Sunday of every month the beginning of both Sunday School classes will be dedicated to praying for outreach opportunities. All are encouraged to join us.

Evening Service at 6:00PM.

Today – Int'l Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church.
See world map of persecuted nations in the main hallway.

Today – Lisa McHeard, our Presbytery's Women's Ministry leader, will be discussing women's ministry today during Sunday School in the library. All women are encouraged to attend. All Sunday School classes will meet as scheduled.

11/10 – Harvest Luncheon, congregation is asked to bring main dishes, sides, salads and desserts. Second service 2PM.

11/10 – New members and friends who aren't in the directory are invited to meet Linda Lou Sully at the front of the Sanctuary immediately following the morning service to have their picture taken.

11/17 – Operation Christmas Child Collection, Shoeboxes available in the Narthex and in the foyer outside Fellowship Hall.

11/27 – Thanksgiving Eve Soup Supper at 6:00PM; Worship service at 7:00PM.

STEPHEN & LAURA SPANJER
WITH WON BY ONE INTERNATIONAL MINISTRIES
Neuenburg am Rhein, Germany

The Neuenburg International church had a great year in 2018. Three new members were added, and the first ruling elder was ordained. The church covets your prayers for German leadership to be raised up in their congregation.

Recently they put on their 2nd annual Special-Needs Baseball Event in Neuenburg and it was a great success. Participation tripled from the previous year as they sought to be the hands and feet of Christ to an overlooked segment of their society.

Thanks to Westminster for your encouragement and partnership in the church-planting work here in Germany.

Listen!

1 SAMUEL 15:1-35

This is Saul's _____ folly. After this, he is i_____.

1. Vengeance (verses 1-9, and 32-33)

No _____, no _____.

Agag is guilty of w_____ c_____. This is t_____, holy war.

It is a picture of the coming j_____.

Without just vengeance: no h_____ in the world.

_____ and the army failed to carry out the command.

It is a r_____ to li_____.

2. Obedience (verses 10-23)

The regret does not mean God is f_____.

We see the personal t_____ in Samuel's ministry.

He spent his whole life opposing the m_____.

Samuel hears the sounds of Saul's f_____ to listen.

Saul: caught up in the d_____ of sin.

L_____ and o_____ are synonyms.

Sacrifices without obedience are a _____ m.

Not listening is like w_____ another g_____.

3. Repentance (verses 24-31, 34-35)

Saul confesses but with e_____.

The Glory of Israel does _____ his mind.

The Davidic monarchy is c_____.

God repents without r_____.

Text leads to the Christ of H_____ chapter _____.

His listening _____ is the perfect _____.

He listened so that we might be l_____.

WELCOME TO WESTMINSTER

Westminster Church is both a place and a people. We gather in this sacred space to worship, to learn, and to serve God as he meets us in Christ. To this end we dedicate our time, our talent, and our resources. Here the Gospel of Christ is freely proclaimed: *We are weaker and more sinful than we ever dared admit, but through Christ we are more loved and accepted than we ever dared hope.* As a community of Christians, we are building a bridge to the future through faith and friendship. To this end, we pray God will give us strength, vision, and wisdom. We are thankful that you could join with us today. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Welcome to Westminster!

Westminster Stated Services

Worship	10:00 AM
Sunday School	11:45 AM
Sunday Evening Service	6:00 PM

Westminster Kingston

Sunday School	10:00 AM
Worship	11:00 AM

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Cover

The Celtic cross reminds us, as Presbyterians, of our historical roots in the British Isles dating back at least to the fifth century. *Post Tenebras Lux* is a Latin slogan from the 16th-century Protestant Reformation meaning *After Darkness, Light*. The cross and the slogan combine to express our desire to be rooted in the ancient faith and to embrace the attainments of the Protestant Reformation.

Westminster was organized in 1854 and is affiliated with the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA).

Senior Minister

The Reverend Kevin Chiarot, Ph.D.

Assistant Minister

The Reverend Mark D. Diedrich

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Steve Flewelling, James Phillips, Dave Reiss
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